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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 8, 2004, please kindly consider the following remarks.

REMARKS

Claims 1-28 are all the claims pending in the application. Claims 1-3 and 12-14 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by Doshi et al. (U.S. Patent No. 5,936,965) (hereinafter Doshi). Claims 4-9, 11, 15-20, and 22 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Doshi in view of Endo (U.S. Patent No. 6,377,574). Claims 10 and 21 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Doshi in view of Endo in further view of Tomooka et al. (US 2002/0024699).